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REPORT NO. [REDACTED]

TOPIC General Military Information

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EVALUATION [REDACTED] 25X1

PLACE OBTAINED 25X1 [REDACTED]

DATE OF CONTENT 18 to 27 March 1954DATE OBTAINED [REDACTED] DATE PREPARED 21 April 1954

REFERENCES 25X1

PAGES 1 ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE)

REMARKS

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- 25X1 1. At 5:30 p.m. on 18 March 1954, a troop train carrying 20 AT guns, 40 sedans [REDACTED]  
 25X1 [REDACTED] and personnel wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia  
 was seen in Merseburg, coming from Halle and proceeding toward Thuringia.<sup>1</sup>
- 25X1 2. [REDACTED]  
 25X1 [REDACTED] 9 jeeps; 1 ambulance; 20 x 76.2-mm field  
 guns; ammunition boxes; and personnel wearing red-bordered black epaulets with  
 artillery insignia were unloaded at the ~~Meisterstad~~ railroad station.<sup>2</sup>
3. Shipments observed in Weimar included:  
 16 March. About 40 trucks occupied by soldiers wearing black-bordered crimson epaulets  
 and carrying carbines and light machine guns moved by road through the town toward  
 the autobahn. [REDACTED]  
 27 March. About 25 trucks [REDACTED] carrying  
 equipment and occupied by soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets moved by road  
 through the town and proceeded toward Erfurt.<sup>4</sup>

- 25X1 1. [REDACTED] Comment. On 18 March, four shipments had left Halle.

2. [REDACTED]
3. [REDACTED]

- 25X1 14. [REDACTED] Comment. Compared with a previous report from Jena information may also refer to  
 25X1 advance parties of the 20th Gds Mech Div en route to the summer training grounds. [REDACTED]  
 25X1 [REDACTED]

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